

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY CAIRO  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 5302  
INFO AMCONSUL ALEXANDRIA PRIORITY

C O N F I D E N T I A L CAIRO 8583

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EO 11652: GDS  
TAGS: EINV, EG  
SUBJ: FORD PROJECT

REF CAIRO 8483,

1. GAMAL NAZIR, WHO EXPECTS SHORTLY TO BE FORMALLY NAMED DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF INVESTMENTS BOARD AND IS ALREADY ACTING IN THAT CAPACITY, TOLD AMB LAST NIGHT THAT THERE IS LIKELY TO BE A "SLIGHT DELAY" IN OBTAINING GOE APPROVAL FOR WILLIAMS/GAZARINE AGREEMENT ON FORD PROJECT. MININDUSTRY SHAHIN HAS RAISED SOME OBJECTIONS, WHICH MUST FIRST BE RESOLVED. AS RESULT, GAZARINE WILL TODAY SEND TELEX TO WILLIAMS REGARDING THAT FORD PROJECT BE REVISED TO (A) INCREASE LOCAL COMPONENTS FOR DIESEL ENGINES TO 70 PERCENT OVER PERIOD OF TIME, AND (B) MAKE TRUCKS BEING IMPORTED INTO EGYPT MORE COMPETITIVE IN PRICE.

2. NAZIR ASSUMES FORD REPLY WILL BE NEGATIVE ON BOTH POINTS AND INDICATED HE PERSONALLY HAS NO PROBLEM WITH PROJECT AS AGREED UPON. MINECON HAMID EL-SAYIGH INTENDS TAKE EXPECTED FORD NEGATIVE REPLY TO CABINET ECONOMIC COMMITTEE WITH A VIEW TO HAVING SHAHIN OVERRULED. NAZIR INDICATED BOTH HE AND EL-SAYIGH ARE DISGUSTED WITH SHAHIN'S CARPING, BUT HAVE TO  
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GO THROUGH ABOVE PROCEDURE, INCLUDING QUERYING WILLIAMS ON SHAHIN'S POINTS.

3. NAZIR SUGGESTED WE GET IN TOUCH WITH WILLIAMS TO EXPLAIN BACKGROUND OF TELEX AND TO INDICATE THAT HE AND MINECON EL-SAYIGH EXPECT A NEGATIVE REPLY AND WILL TAKE IT FROM THERE. WILLIAMS SHOULD NOT BE DISTURBED ABOUT QUERY AND COULD BE

ASSURED NAZIR AND EL-SAYIGH ARE WORKING FOR EARLY GOE APPROVAL  
OF PROJECT AAGREEMENT.

4. FOR ALEXANDRIA: WHEN YOU SEE OUROUSOFF, PLEASE CONVEY  
ABOVE TO HIM IN CONFIDENCE. OUROUSOFF SHOULD NOT MENTION AMB'S  
TALK WITH NAZIR TO GAZARIN.  
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